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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE

The relevance of GB 1547286 to the subject matter of the present invention is given in the Background of the Invention in the specification of the present invention.

Copies of reference numerals AA-AH listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were submitted in prior application Serial No. 10/450,001, filed on June 9,

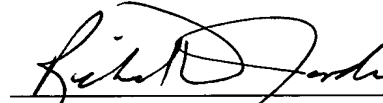
2003, of which this application claims priority under 35 USC § 120, and therefore, are not being submitted pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(d).

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Respectfully submitted,

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